



PATUXENT RIVER COMMISSION
301 W. Preston Street, Room 1101
Baltimore, Maryland 21201

Attachment D

County Resolutions Approving the Patuxent River Policy Plan Addendum

After acceptance of the plan by the Patuxent River Commission, the plan was submitted to all eight of the local governments represented on the Patuxent River Commission. Each of the seven watershed counties and the City of Laurel unanimously approved the plan by resolution. The City of Laurel, not an original signatory to the Patuxent Policy Plan, also adopted the original Patuxent Policy Plan. This Appendix contains a copy of each resolution. As of October 24, 2000, adopted by resolution the Addendum to the Patuxent River Policy Plan. The original Plan was adopted in the same way, per the Commission's legislation.

Anne Arundel County Resolution

COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY, MARYLAND

Legislative Session 2000, Legislative Day No. 32

Resolution No. 24-00

Introduced by Mr. Klosterman, Chairman
(by request of the County Executive)

By the County Council, August 7, 2000

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PATUXENT RIVER POLICY PLAN ADDENDUM

WHEREAS, the population within the Patuxent Watershed has increased resulting in loss of forest cover, agricultural land, and open space, with a corresponding increase in impervious surfaces causing nutrient and sediment pollution of the river; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the declining environmental and water quality, the economic and recreational resources are less productive; and

WHEREAS, the 1980 Patuxent River Watershed Act required the Maryland Department of Planning to prepare a Patuxent River Policy Plan to be submitted for approval by at least five of the seven counties of the Watershed; and

WHEREAS, the Patuxent River Watershed Act calls for periodic review and, if appropriate, revision of the Patuxent River Policy Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Patuxent River Commission, working with County officials and the Maryland Department of Planning, has reviewed the Patuxent River Policy Plan, has affirmed the ten recommendations contained therein, and has approved an addendum to the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Maryland Department of Planning has worked closely with County officials in preparation of the Plan Addendum and the Patuxent River Commission has held a public hearing on the Addendum; and

WHEREAS, the County Council desires to express support for the overall Plan and Addendum as a policy framework for guiding our continuing efforts to protect and enhance the Patuxent River and its Watershed; and

WHEREAS, the principles and policies proposed in the Plan and the Addendum are generally consistent with approved plans and regulations for the Anne Arundel County portion of the Watershed; and

WHEREAS, it is understood that achievement of the goals in the Plan and the Addendum will require refinement and flexible implementation of its stated policies in order to recognize the particular local conditions and needs of existing and planned development throughout the Watershed; and

WHEREAS, implementation of the recommendations in the Plan and the Addendum for local programs will require additional consideration, public review, and local approval; and

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1 WHEREAS, a 1995 amendment to the Patuxent River Watershed Act expanded
2 membership of the Patuxent River Commission from seven counties to eight local
3 jurisdictions and changed the approval requirements to six out of eight local
4 jurisdictions; and

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6 WHEREAS, upon approval of the Patuxent River Policy Plan Addendum by six of
7 the eight local jurisdictions and approval by the General Assembly, the Plan and
8 Addendum shall serve as a policy guide for State agencies and local governments in
9 carrying out their programs in the Watershed; now, therefore, be it

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11 *Resolved by the County Council of Anne Arundel County, Maryland,* That it hereby
12 approves the Patuxent River Policy Plan Addendum, "Patuxent River Policy Plan: An
13 Update For 1984-1997"; and be it further

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15 *Resolved,* That a copy of the "Patuxent River Policy Plan and the Patuxent River Policy
16 Plan: An Update for 1984 to 1997" be kept on file in the Office of Planning and Zoning and
17 in the Office of the Administrative Officer to the County Council; and be it further

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19 *Resolved,* That a copy of this Resolution be sent to Harriet Tregoning, Secretary,
20 Maryland Department of Planning.

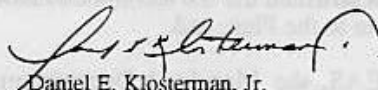
READ AND PASSED this 21st day of August, 2000

By Order:



Judy C. Holmes
Administrative Officer

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT RESOLUTION NO. 24-00 IS TRUE AND CORRECT AND DULY
ADOPTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY.



Daniel E. Klosterman, Jr.
Chairman

Calvert County Resolution

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RESOLUTION NO. 29-00

PERTAINING TO THE UPDATE OF THE PATUXENT RIVER POLICY PLAN

WHEREAS, the population within the Patuxent Watershed has increased significantly, resulting in the loss of forest cover, agricultural land and open space, with a corresponding increase in impervious surfaces causing nutrient and sediment pollution of the Patuxent River; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the declining condition of the river economic and recreational resources are less productive; and

WHEREAS, the County Commissioners of Calvert County, Maryland have worked to improve the quality of water in the Patuxent River; and

WHEREAS, the 1980 Patuxent River Watershed Act required the Department of State Planning to prepare a Patuxent River Policy Plan; and

WHEREAS, in 1984 Calvert County and the other six counties in the Patuxent Watershed, the State of Maryland adopted the Patuxent River Policy Plan; and

WHEREAS, in November 1997 the Patuxent River Commission adopted the addendum to the 1984 Patuxent River Policy Plan for the purpose of updating the plan; and

WHEREAS, this addendum and its six key findings are intended to be used in conjunction with the original 1984 Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Patuxent River Commission's legislation provides for updating the plan via the amendment process; and

WHEREAS, this amended Patuxent River Policy Plan, upon adoption, is to serve as a policy guide for State agencies and local governments in carrying out programs in the watershed.

WHEREAS, after due notice was published, the Patuxent River Commission conducted a public hearing on March 28, 2000 at which time the proposed Plan Update was discussed and public comment was heard.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDAINED, by the Board of County Commissioners of Calvert County, Maryland, that the Addendum or Update to the Patuxent River Policy Plan, included in Exhibit A attached hereto and made a part hereof, **BE**, and hereby **IS**, approved and adopted. **AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this amendatory Resolution shall be in force and effect from and after its adoption on the date set forth below.

Calvert County Resolution

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DONE, this 8th day of August 2000, by the Board of County Commissioners of Calvert County, Maryland, sitting in regular session.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF CALVERT COUNTY, MARYLAND

Mary S. Watson
Mary S. Watson, Clerk

Linda L. Kelley
Linda L. Kelley, President

Barbara A. Stinnett
Barbara A. Stinnett, Vice President

Approved for legal
sufficiency on 8th
by

David F. Hale
David F. Hale

Emanuel Demedis
Emanuel Demedis
County Attorney

John Douglas Parran
John Douglas Parran

Robert L. Swann
Robert L. Swann

Received for Record August 21, 2000
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ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTION.

Garry P. Smith

Charles County Resolution

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND

Resolution Number 00- 77

WHEREAS, the population within the Patuxent Watershed has increased significantly, resulting in the loss of forest cover, agricultural land and open space, with a corresponding increase in impervious surfaces causing nutrient and sediment pollution of the Patuxent River; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the declining condition of the river, economic and recreational resources are less productive; and

WHEREAS, the County Commissioners of Charles County, Maryland have worked to improve the quality of water in the Patuxent River; and

WHEREAS, the 1980 Patuxent River Watershed Act required the Department of State Planning to prepare a Patuxent River Policy Plan; and

WHEREAS, in 1984 Charles County and the other six counties in the Patuxent Watershed, the State of Maryland adopted the Patuxent River Policy Plan; and

WHEREAS, in November 1997 the Patuxent River Commission adopted the addendum to the 1984 Patuxent River Policy Plan for the purpose of updating the plan; and

WHEREAS, this addendum and its six key findings, are intended to be used in conjunction with the original 1984 plan; and

WHEREAS, Charles County amends Finding I, in Section V, of this addendum to read as follows: "Implement a comprehensive watershed management approach to reduce all sources of pollution and resource degradation;" and

WHEREAS, Charles County amends Finding III, in Section V, of this addendum to read as follows: "Increase new development in and around existing developed areas and population centers while protecting rural lands and the associated agricultural economy;" and

WHEREAS, the Patuxent River Commission's legislation provides for updating the plan via the amendment process; and

Charles County Resolution

WHEREAS, this amended Patuxent River Policy Plan, upon adoption, is to serve as a policy guide for State agencies and local governments in carrying out programs in the watershed.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND on this 3rd day of October, 2000, do hereby RESOLVE to approve the attached addendum as modified in this resolution to the Patuxent River Policy Plan.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
CHARLES COUNTY, MARYLAND

Shirley M. Gore
ATTEST: Shirley M. Gore, Clerk

Murray D. Levy
Murray D. Levy, President

Marland Deen
Marland Deen

Robert J. Fuller
Robert J. Fuller

Wm. Daniel Mayer
Wm. Daniel Mayer

James M. Jarboe
James M. Jarboe

Approved for legal sufficiency:

Roger L. Fink, County Attorney

Howard County Resolution

County Council of Howard County, Maryland

2000 Legislative Session

Legislative day # 3

Date March 6, 2000

RESOLUTION NO. 29 - 2000

Introduced by: Mary C. Lorsung

Cosponsored by: C. Vernon Gray, Guy Guzzone and Allan H. Kittleman

A RESOLUTION amending Council Resolution No. 32-1984, which approved the original Patuxent River Policy Plan, in order to approve the new Plan addendum, "Patuxent River Policy Plan: An Update for 1984 to 1997".

Introduced and read first time on 3/6, 2000.

By order

Sheila M. Tolliver
Sheila M. Tolliver, Administrator to the County Council

Read for a second time and a public hearing held on 3/20, 2000.

By order

Sheila M. Tolliver
Sheila M. Tolliver, Administrator to the County Council

This Resolution was read the third time and was Adopted ☒ Adopted with amendments ☐ Failed ☐ Withdrawn ☐ by the County Council
on 4/3, 2000.

Certified by

Sheila M. Tolliver
Sheila M. Tolliver, Administrator to the County Council

NOTE: [[text in brackets]] indicates deletions from existing language; TEXT IN ALL CAPITALS indicates additions to existing language.

~~Strikethrough~~ indicates material deleted by amendment; Underlining indicates material added by amendment.

Howard County Resolution

1 WHEREAS, the population within the Patuxent Watershed has [doubled]
2 INCREASED BY 130% in the last thirty years, resulting in a rapid loss of forest cover,
3 agricultural land and open space, with a corresponding increase in impervious surfaces causing
4 nutrient and sediment pollution of the River; and

5 WHEREAS, as a result of the declining environment and water quality, the economic
6 and recreational resources are less productive; and

7 WHEREAS, the 1980 Patuxent River Watershed Act required the Department of State
8 Planning to prepare a Patuxent River Policy Plan to be submitted for approval by the seven
9 counties of the watershed; and

10 WHEREAS, the Department of State Planning worked closely with county officials in
11 preparation of the plan and the Patuxent River commission [has] held public hearings on the
12 plan throughout the watershed; and

13 WHEREAS, THE PATUXENT RIVER WATERSHED ACT CALLS FOR
14 PERIODIC REVIEW AND, IF APPROPRIATE, REVISION OF THE PATUXENT RIVER
15 POLICY PLAN; AND

16 WHEREAS, THE PATUXENT RIVER COMMISSION, WORKING WITH
17 COUNTY OFFICIALS AND THE MARYLAND OFFICE OF PLANNING, HAS
18 REVIEWED THE PATUXENT RIVER POLICY PLAN, HAS REAFFIRMED THE TEN
19 RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED THEREIN, AND HAS APPROVED AN
20 ADDENDUM TO THE PLAN; AND

21 WHEREAS, the County Council expresses support for the overall plan AND
22 ADDENDUM as a policy framework for guiding our continuing efforts to protect and enhance
23 the Patuxent River and its watershed; and

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1 WHEREAS, it is understood that achievement of the plan's AND ADDENDUM'S
2 goals will require refinement and flexible implementation of its stated policies in order to
3 recognize the particular local conditions and needs of existing and planned development
4 throughout the watershed; and

5 WHEREAS, implementation of the plan's AND ADDENDUM'S recommendations
6 for local programs will require additional consideration, public review and local approval; and

7 WHEREAS, upon approval of the Patuxent River Policy Plan ADDENDUM by five
8 counties and after approval by the General Assembly, the PATUXENT RIVER POLICY
9 P[p]lan AND ADDENDUM shall serve as a policy guide for State agencies and local
10 governments in carrying out their programs in the watershed.

11 NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the County Council of Howard County,
12 Maryland, this 3rd day of April, 2000 hereby approves the ATTACHED
13 Patuxent River Policy Plan ADDENDUM, "PATUXENT RIVER POLICY PLAN: AN
14 UPDATE FOR 1984 TO 1997".

Montgomery County Resolution

Resolution No.: 14-676
Introduced: October 17, 2000
Adopted: October 24, 2000

COUNTY COUNCIL FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

By: County Council

Subject: Update of the Patuxent River Policy Plan

BACKGROUND

1. The population within the Patuxent Watershed has increased significantly, resulting in the loss of forest cover, agricultural land and open space, with a corresponding increase in impervious surfaces causing nutrient and sediment pollution of the Patuxent River.
2. As a result of the declining condition of the river, economic and recreational resources are less productive.
3. The Montgomery County Council has worked to improve the quality of the water in the Patuxent River.
4. The 1980 Patuxent River Watershed Act required the Maryland Department of Planning to prepare a Patuxent River Policy Plan. The Patuxent Watershed Act calls for periodic review and, if appropriate, revision of the Patuxent River Policy Plan.
5. In 1984, Montgomery County, along with six other Maryland Counties within the Patuxent Watershed (Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Howard, Prince George's and St. Mary's Counties) and the State of Maryland, adopted the Patuxent River Policy Plan.
6. In 1997, the Patuxent River Commission adopted the addendum to the 1984 Patuxent River Policy Plan for the purpose of updating the 1984 Plan. This addendum includes six additional initiatives not specifically addressed by the original plan, but essential to meeting overall water quality goals. Those new initiatives include the following:

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- a) Continue to restore, improve, and protect the habitat function of aquatic and terrestrial living resource;
 - b) Implement a comprehensive watershed management approach to control all sources of pollution and resource degradation;
 - c) Concentrate new development in and around existing developed areas and population centers while protecting rural lands and the associated agricultural economy;
 - d) Enhance the environmental quality and community design in new and existing communities;
 - e) Develop a sense of stewardship for the Patuxent River and its watershed through increase public education and participation programs; and
 - f) Provide sufficient funding and staff to support continued programs, policies, and projects to meet the ten recommendations of the Plan.
7. This addendum and its six key findings are intended for use in conjunction with the original 1984 Plan.
 8. This amended Patuxent River Policy Plan, upon adoption, is to serve as a policy guide for state agencies and local governments in carrying out programs in the watershed.

ACTION

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland approves the following resolution:

1. The amended Patuxent River Policy Plan is hereby approved and adopted.

This is a correct copy of Council action.


Mary A. Edgar, CMC
Clerk of the Council

Prince George's County Resolution

DR-1

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

2000 Legislative Session

Resolution No. CR-40-2000
Proposed by Council Member Estepp
Introduced by Council Member Estepp
Co-Sponsors .
Date of Introduction July 11, 2000

RESOLUTION

1 A RESOLUTION concerning

2 The Patuxent River Policy Plan Addendum

3 For the purpose of adopting the plan as submitted by the Patuxent River Commission and the
4 Maryland Department of State Planning.

5 WHEREAS, the population within the Patuxent Watershed has increased significantly,
6 resulting in the loss of forest cover, agricultural land and open space, with a corresponding
7 increase in impervious surfaces causing nutrient and sediment pollution of the Patuxent River
8 and

9 WHEREAS, as a result of the declining condition of the river, economic and recreational
10 resources are less productive; and

11 WHEREAS, the Prince George's County Council has worked to improve the quality of
12 water in the Patuxent River; and

13 WHEREAS, the 1980 Patuxent River Watershed Act required the Department of State
14 Planning to prepare a Patuxent River Policy Plan to be submitted for approval by the seven
15 counties of the watershed, and;

16 WHEREAS, the Department of State Planning worked closely with county officials in
17 preparation of the plan, and the Patuxent River Commission held public hearings on the plan
18 throughout the watershed; and

19 WHEREAS, in 1984 Prince George's County and the six other counties in the Patuxent
20 Watershed and the State of Maryland adopted the Patuxent River Policy Plan; and

21 WHEREAS, in 1988, in accordance with the Patuxent River Policy Plan, the Prince
22 George's County Council adopted CR-13-1988, which directed the preparation of legislation to

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CR-40-2000 (DR-1)

1 establish a Primary Management Area (PMA) for the Patuxent River Watershed of Prince
2 George's County; and

3 WHEREAS, in 1989, the Prince George's County Council adopted CB-121-1989, which
4 implemented the policy adopted in CR-13-1988 for the management of land use within the
5 Patuxent River watershed and established criteria for stream and wetland buffers; and

6 WHEREAS, CR-13-1988 also directed that the policies expressed therein shall be
7 considered in the preparation of Master Plans as implemented by Sectional Map Amendments;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, the Prince George's County Council subsequently approved Master Plans for
10 those portions of Prince George's County within the Patuxent River Watershed, including the
11 Master Plans for Subregion I, Glenn Dale-Seabrook-Lanham, Bowie-Collington-Mitchellville,
12 Landover and Vicinity, Largo-Lottsford, Subregion VI and Melwood-Westphalia; and

13 WHEREAS, each of these Master Plans included policies to protect the Patuxent River
14 Watershed in accordance with CR-13-1988 and the Patuxent River Policy Plan; and

15 WHEREAS, Prince George's County has designated almost 35,000 acres of the Patuxent
16 River Watershed within Prince George's County as a Rural Legacy Area; and

17 WHEREAS, the Patuxent River Watershed Act calls for periodic review and, if appropriate,
18 revision of the Patuxent River Policy Plan; and

19 WHEREAS, in November 1997, the Patuxent River Commission, working with County
20 officials and the Maryland Office of Planning, reviewed the Patuxent River Policy Plan,
21 reaffirmed the ten recommendations contained therein, and approved an addendum to the Plan;
22 and

23 WHEREAS, this addendum and its six key findings are intended to be used in conjunction
24 with the original 1984 plan; and

25 WHEREAS, the Patuxent River Commission's legislation provides for updating the plan via
26 the amendment process; and

27 WHEREAS, the County Council expresses support for the overall plan and addendum as a
28 policy framework for guiding our continuing efforts to protect and enhance the Patuxent River
29 and its watershed; and

30 WHEREAS, it is understood that achievement of the plan's and addendum's goals will
31 require refinement and flexible implementation of its stated policies in order to recognize the

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CR-40-2000 (DR-1)

1 particular local conditions and needs of existing and planned development throughout the
2 watershed; and

3 WHEREAS, implementation of the plan's and addendum's recommendations for local
4 programs will require additional consideration, public review and local approval; and

5 WHEREAS, this amended Patuxent River Policy Plan, upon adoption, is to serve as a
6 policy guide for State agencies and local governments in carrying out programs in the watershed.

7 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Council of Prince George's
8 County, Maryland, that the County Council hereby approves the addendum to the Patuxent River
9 Policy Plan.

Adopted this 25th day of July, 2000.

COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE
GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: Dorothy F. Bailey
Dorothy F. Bailey
Chair

ATTEST:

Joyce T. Sweeney
Joyce T. Sweeney
Clerk of the Council

St. Mary's County Resolution

Resolution 00- 34
BOOK 0017 PAGE 0005 Amending Resolution No. 84-07
SUBJ: RECOMMITMENT TO THE 1984 PATUXENT RIVER POLICY PLAN AND
ADOPTION OF THE 1997 ADDENDUM TO THE POLICY PLAN

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR ST. MARY'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE COMMITMENT OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR ST. MARY'S COUNTY TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PATUXENT RIVER POLICY PLAN AND APPROVING THE 1997 ADDENDUM TO THE PATUXENT RIVER POLICY PLAN

WHEREAS, the population within the Patuxent Watershed has increased significantly resulting in the loss of forest cover, agricultural land and open space, with a corresponding increase in impervious surfaces causing nutrient and sediment pollution of the river; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the declining condition of the river, recreation and recreational resources are less productive; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of St. Mary's County, Maryland has worked to improve the quality of water in the Patuxent River; and

WHEREAS, the 1980 Patuxent River Watershed Act required the Department of State Planning to prepare a Patuxent River Policy Plan to be submitted for approval by seven (7) counties in the Patuxent River watershed; and

WHEREAS, St. Mary's County, the other six counties in the Patuxent River watershed and the State of Maryland adopted the Patuxent River Policy Plan in 1984; and

WHEREAS, the Patuxent River Commission's legislation provides for updating the Plan via the amendment process; and

WHEREAS, in November 1997, the Patuxent River Commission, after working closely with County officials, adopted an addendum to the 1984 Patuxent River Policy Plan for the purpose of updating the Plan; and

WHEREAS, this amended Patuxent River Policy Plan, upon the approval of the Maryland General Assembly, and at least five (5) counties of the Patuxent River watershed, is to serve as a policy guide for state agencies and local governments in carrying out programs in the Patuxent River watershed;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of County Commissioners of St. Mary's County, Maryland hereby reaffirms its commitment to the implementation of the Patuxent River Policy Plan and approves the 1997 Addendum to the Patuxent River Policy Plan.

DATE OF ADOPTION: 9/12/00
EFFECTIVE THIS DATE: 9/12/00

RECORDING FEE 8.00
TOTAL 8.00
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Sep 21, 2000 09:22 am

ATTEST:

Alfred A. Lacer
Alfred A. Lacer, County Administrator

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ST. MARY'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

Julie B. Randall
Julie B. Randall, President

Joseph F. Anderson
Joseph F. Anderson, Commissioner

Shelby P. Guazzo
Shelby P. Guazzo, Commissioner

Approved as to Form and Legal Sufficiency:

John B. Norris, III
John B. Norris, III,
Assistant County Attorney

Thomas A. Mattingly, Sr.
Thomas A. Mattingly, Sr., Commissioner

Daniel H. Raley
Daniel H. Raley, Commissioner

City of Laurel Resolution

RESOLUTION 11-00

A resolution to adopt the original Patuxent River Policy Plan and the Plan addendum "Patuxent River Policy Plan: An Update for 1984 to 1997" to demonstrate that the City of Laurel shares in the protection of the Patuxent Watershed through this plan in conjunction with existing City of Laurel legislation.

Sponsored by the President at the request of the Administration.

WHEREAS, the 1980 Patuxent River Watershed Act required the Department of State Planning to prepare a Patuxent River Policy Plan to be submitted for approval by the seven counties in the Patuxent Watershed; and

WHEREAS, in 1984 the seven counties in the Patuxent Watershed and, the State of Maryland adopted the Patuxent River Policy Plan; and

WHEREAS, through the adoption of the City's 1989 Master Plan, the City embraced a policy of stewardship toward improving the health and resourcefulness of the Patuxent River and its tributaries, focusing on the same 10 action steps set forth in the 1984 Patuxent River Policy Plan; and

WHEREAS, the population within the Patuxent Watershed has increased significantly, resulting in the loss of forest cover, agricultural land and open space, with a corresponding increase in impervious surfaces causing nutrient and sediment pollution of the Patuxent River; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the declining condition of the river economic and recreational resources are less productive; and

WHEREAS, the 1995 amendment to the Patuxent River Watershed Act expanded the membership of the Patuxent River Commission and by vote of the Commission, the City of Laurel became a voting member on the Patuxent River Commission in 1995; and

City of Laurel Resolution

WHEREAS, the Patuxent River Watershed Act calls for periodic review and, if appropriate, revision of the Patuxent River Policy Plan; and

WHEREAS, in 1997 the Patuxent River Commission reviewed the Patuxent River Policy Plan, reaffirmed the ten recommendations contained therein to be used in conjunction with the original 1984 plan; and

WHEREAS, the City expresses support for the overall plan and addendum as a policy framework for guiding our continuing efforts to protect and enhance the Patuxent River and its watershed; and

WHEREAS, it is understood that achievement of the plan's and the addendum's goals will require refinement and flexible implementation of its stated policies in order to recognize the particular local conditions and needs of existing and planned development throughout the watershed; and

WHEREAS, implementation of the plan's and addendum's recommendations for local programs will require additional consideration, public review and local approval; and

WHEREAS, upon approval of the Patuxent River Policy Plan Addendum by the General Assembly, the Patuxent River Policy Plan and Addendum shall serve as a policy guide for state agencies and local governments in carrying out their programs in the watershed.

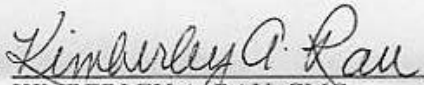
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Council of Laurel, Maryland on this 23rd day of October, 2000, do hereby resolve to approve the original 1984 Patuxent River Policy Plan and approve the 1997 Addendum to the Patuxent River Policy Plan.

City of Laurel Resolution

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED AND ORDAINED that this Ordinance shall take effect
from the date of its passage.


PASSED this 23rd day of October, 2000

ATTEST:


KIMBERLEY A. RAU, CMC
Clerk to the Council


G. MICHAEL WALLS
Council President

APPROVED this 23rd day of October, 2000


FRANK P. CASULA
Mayor